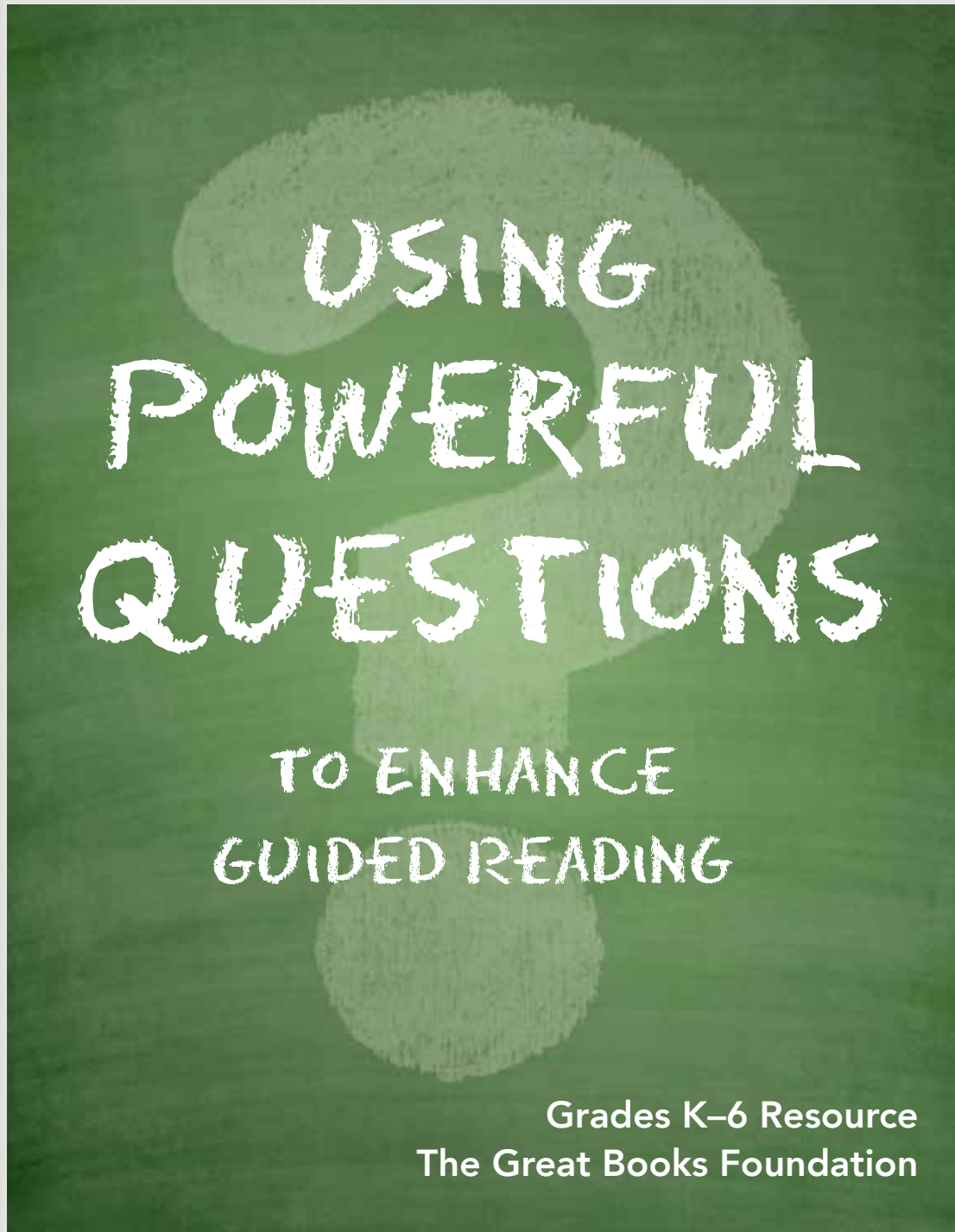


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“The most important characteristic of a book is not its level, but its quality and appeal to readers.”

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Guided Reading: The Romance and the Reality

Like Junior Great Books®, guided reading programs are an important component of a robust, high-quality literacy curriculum. By adding powerful questions to your guided reading program, you can ensure that your students are developing their reading and thinking skills while also becoming more engaged, enthusiastic readers.

Using powerful questions in your guided reading discussions helps students:

- Build their critical thinking skills
- Develop their listening and speaking skills across the curriculum

In addition, using powerful questions as prompts for writing exercises increases the coherence of your students' learning across multiple guided reading sessions.

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Using Powerful Questions to Enhance Guided Reading provides ideas, activities, and practical guidance on:

- Selecting texts
- Preparing questions
- Asking spontaneous questions
- Encouraging and using students' questions
- Extending understanding and increasing comprehension

Reproducible masters for teacher and student templates, handouts, and graphic organizers are also included.

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Introduction

This book is designed to help you grow as a teacher by providing you with new ways to reach your students and further their growth and development as readers. When you increase your awareness of the role of questioning in teaching and learning, you have the opportunity to engage students more authentically, and to help them become enthusiastic lifelong readers and learners. This book provides you with ideas, activities, and practical resources to take your guided reading lessons to a new level of effectiveness and enjoyment, both for you and your students.

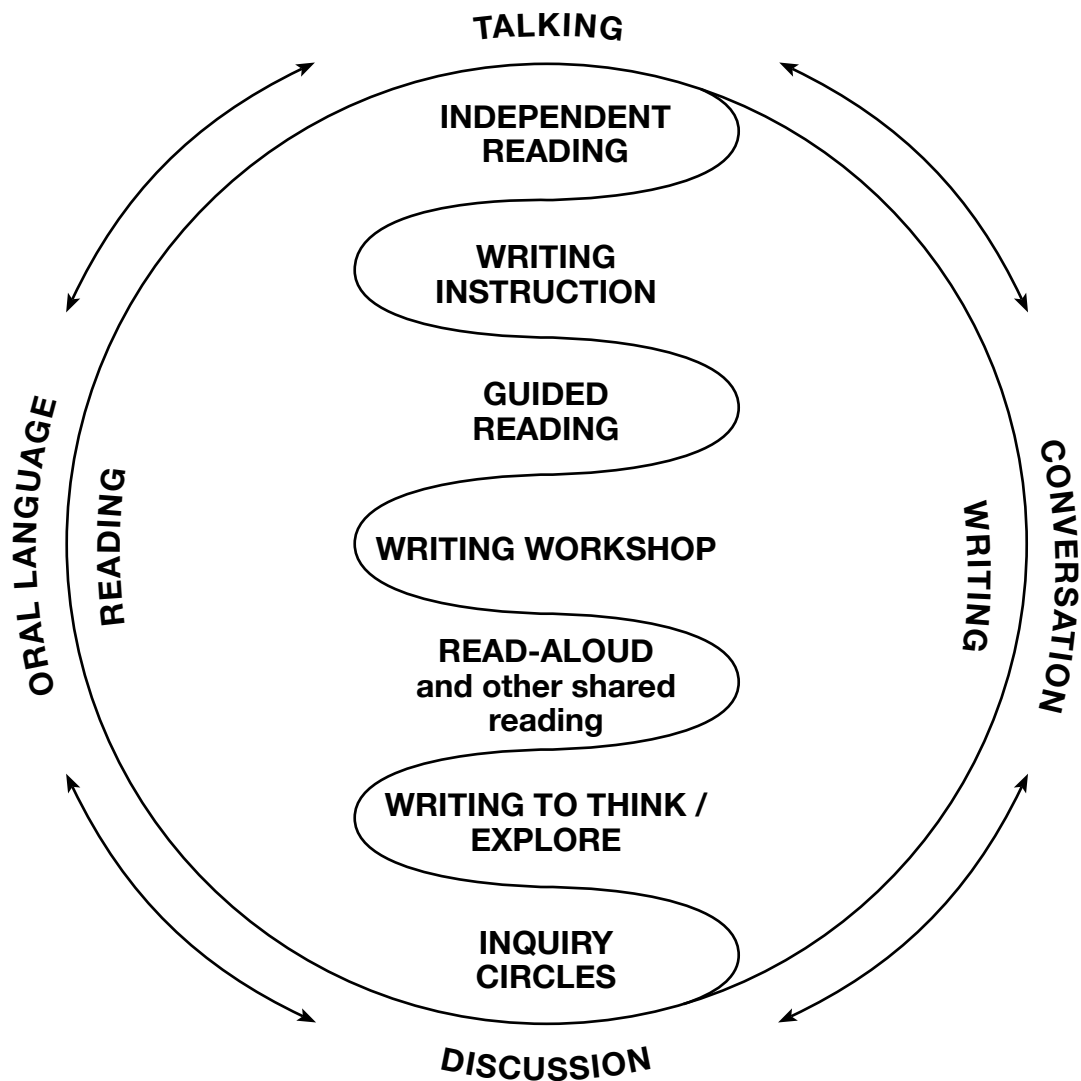
For students, these literacy experiences should appear to flow together seamlessly, as each area overlaps with and reinforces the skills learned in every other area. And within each of these contexts, students should encounter fiction, nonfiction, poetry, and all the other types of text.

This book primarily addresses guided reading, the component of your literacy program that provides students with targeted instruction in the strategies and skills that proficient readers use. You will undoubtedly see ways to use these approaches and reinforce the skills described here during independent reading conferences, teacher read-alouds, and instructional discussions. The focus on questioning helps students practice listening and speaking across the curriculum and builds critical thinking skills. Further, writing instruction that flows from students' reading experiences, including related questions, increases the coherence of their learning and maximizes the limited class time available.

Guided reading is an important component of a robust, high-quality literacy effort, but it is not the entire literacy program—it takes place within a larger framework. Key components of this framework include:

- Guided instruction and practice in reading (phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension)
- Independent reading
- Teacher read-alouds
- Challenge reading and in-depth discussions
- Writing instruction and opportunities
- Speaking and listening instruction and opportunities

A HIGH-QUALITY COMPREHENSIVE LITERACY PROGRAM



As shown in the diagram, oral language unifies the entire literacy experience, and questions and responses make up a good part of the conversations and discussions that help create a smooth, cohesive literacy program.

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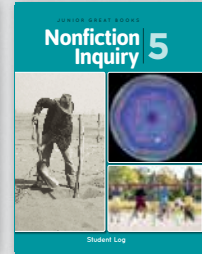
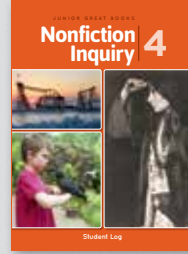
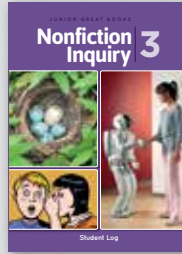
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